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1. EMBASSY GAVE TEXT OF US DESIDERATA, IN ACCORDANCE WITH REF B AND C, TO KAYA (DEPUTY DIRECTOR GENERAL, ECONOMIC AFFAIRS BUREAU, FONOFF) FEB. 28. KAYA OBVIOUSLY PLEASED WITH RECEIPT OF TEXT, NOTING IT WAS VERY TIMELY IN CONNECTION WITH ON-GOING INTER-AGENCY DISCUSSION OF GOJ POSITION FOR NEXT WEEK'S GB MEETING.

2. AFTER QUICK GLANCE AT TEXT, KAYA STATED, ON PERSONAL BASIS, THAT ONLY ELEMENT HE THOUGHT WOULD CAUSE GOJ DIFFICULTY WAS PARA 4 SUBPARA 1 REF A. SIMILARLY, TOYONAGA (DIRECTOR, INTERNATIONAL RESOURCES DIVISION, ENERGY AGENCY, MITI), IN SEPARATE CONVERSATION WITH EMBASSY, STATED THAT THE TWO SUBSTANTIVE POINTS SEPARATING POSITIONS OF USG AND GOJ AT MOMENT WERE HOW TO HANDLE ISSUES OF FLOOR PRICE AND QTE FREE ACCESS UNQTE (PARA 2(C)(I) TOKYO 2370). IN RESPONSE TO QUESTION RE MEANING OF QTE FREE ACCESS UNQTE, TOYONAGA SAID JAPAN WANTS (A) OIL CONCESSIONS TO BE OPEN TO JAPANESE CAPITAL ON CONFIDENTIAL

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BASIS OF FREE COMPETITION WITH US CAPITAL AND (B) ABILITY TO

IMPORT PRODUCT FROM THESE CONCESSIONS. HE REFERRED SPECIFICALLY TO NORTH SLOPE AND CONTINENTAL SHELF (HE SAID THERE WAS NO HOPE ON OBTAINING ACCESS TO NORTH SEA). HAVING MADE HIS POINT AS MATTER OF GENERAL PRINCIPLE, HOWEVER, HE RECOGNIZED THAT THERE WAS GREAT DISTANCE BETWEEN PRESENT VIRTUAL EXCLUSION AND ABSENCE OF ANY LIMITATIONS.

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